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Title: MARKER FOR INFLAMMATORY CONDITIONS

The prior application is assigned of record to Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research, a Minnesota corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on June 21, 2001 at 011922/0396.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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- Application Cover Sheet, 1 page.
- Preliminary amendment, 4 pages.
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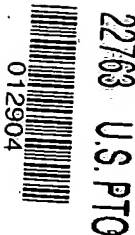
This application is a divisional (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 10/210,339 filed July 31, 2002, which is a divisional of serial no. 09/760,376, filed January 12, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,500,630. The disclosure of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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